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FIRE PREVENTION ORDER

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

Notice of Emergency Fire Prevention Orders on Public Land Within the Vale District, Oregon.

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Vale, District, Oregon.

ACTION: Emergency Fire Prevention Orders for public land within the Vale District, Oregon.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is temporarily prohibiting some activities and uses of the public lands during

periods of high fire danger. This regulation is needed to protect natural resources and the public's health and safety.

DATES: Saturday, July 20, 2002 and will remain in effect until rescinded.

DISCUSSION OF THE RULES: These orders will apply to all public lands administered by the Vale District Bureau of Land Management (BLM). The BLM has determined that these orders are necessary to protect natural resources and to provide for safe public recreation, public health, and reduce the potential for damage to the environment and to enhance the safety of visitors, neighboring residents and their property. Under 43 CFR 9212.2, the Bureau of Land Management will enforce the following orders on the public lands within the Vale District, Oregon.

You must follow these orders:

- 1. You must not ignite any fireworks.
- 2. You must not build, maintain or attend a campfire, or stove fire, including charcoal briquette fire, except within the existing metal fire rings located at Chukar Park in Malheur County. NOTE: Liquefied and bottled gas stoves and heaters are permitted. When used outside of developed recreation sites they must be used within an area at least ten (10) feet in diameter that is barren, or clear of all flammable material.
- 3. You must not smoke outside of a vehicle, trailer or building, except within areas barren of all flammable materials for at least a 3 foot diameter, or aboard boats on rivers and lakes.
- 4. You must not operate a motorized vehicle upon public lands without, one shovel not less than 26" in overall length, with a blade not less than 8" wide, and a container with at least one gallon of water, or a fully charged 2.5 pound fire extinguisher.
- 5. You must not park your vehicle in an area that is not clear of all flammable material.
- 6. Vehicle travel is restricted to existing roads and ways.

PENALTIES: On public lands, under section 303(a) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1733(a)) and 43 CFR 9212.4, any person who violates any of these supplementary rules within the boundaries established in the rules may be tried before a United States Magistrate and fined no more than \$1,000 or imprisoned for no more than 12 months, or both. Such violations may also be subject to the enhanced fines provided for by 18 U.S.C. 3571.

Pursuant to 43 CFR 9212.3 (a), the following persons are exempt from this order:

- 1. Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
- 2. Any Federal, State, or local officer or a member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.

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